LISTING OF CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the captioned application.

Claims 1-35. (cancelled).

36. (New) A method for preparing a compound of formula (9),

or a trifluoroacetate, fumarate, chloroacetate or methanesulfonate salt thereof; wherein R_1 is hydrogen, phenyl C_{1-6} alkyl, a saturated or partially unsaturated monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle having 5 to 8 ring members, which contains one or more heteroatom ring members selected from nitrogen, oxygen or sulphur, or phenyl; or R_1 is a radical of formula (10)

$$R_{11}a$$
 $R_{10}a$
 $R_{10}b$
 $R_{11}b$
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wherein R_9 , R_{10a} and R_{10b} are each independently, hydrogen, C_1 .

4alkyloxycarbonyl, carboxyl, aminocarbonyl, mono- or di(C_{1-4} alkyl)aminocarbonyl, C_{3-7} cycloalkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl or C_{1-4} alkyl; or R_9 , R_{10a} and the carbon atoms to which they are attached may also form a C_{3-7} cycloalkyl radical;

L is -O-C(=O)- or -O- C_{1-6} alkanediyl-C(=O)-, whereby in each case the C(=O) group is attached to the NR₂ moiety; and when L is -O- C_{1-6} alkanediyl-C(=O)- or - NR₁₂-C₁₋₆alkanediyl-C(=O)-, then R₉ may also be oxo;

 R_{11a} is selected from the group comprising hydrogen, $C_{2\text{-}6}$ alkenyl, $C_{2\text{-}6}$ alkynyl, $C_{3\text{-}7}$ cycloalkyl, phenyl, aminocarbonyl, $C_{1\text{-}4}$ alkyloxycarbonyl, phenyloxycarbonyl, $C_{1\text{-}4}$ alkylcarbonyl, $C_{3\text{-}7}$ cycloalkylcarbonyl, $C_{3\text{-}7}$ cycloalkylcarbonyloxy, carboxyl $C_{1\text{-}4}$ alkylcarbonyloxy, $C_{1\text{-}4}$ alkylcarbonyloxy, phenyl $C_{1\text{-}4}$ alkylcarbonyloxy, phenylcarbonyloxy, phenyloxycarbonyloxy;

R_{11b} is selected from the group comprising hydrogen, C₃₋₇cycloalkyl, C₂₋₆alkenyl, C₂₋₆alkynyl, phenyl, or C₁₋₄alkyl or C₁₋₄alkyl substituted with halogen, hydroxy, C₁₋₄alkylS(=O)_t, phenyl, C₃₋₇cycloalkyl; t being zero, one or two;

whereby R_{11b} may be linked to the remainder of the molecule via a sulfonyl group; R_2 is hydrogen; R_3 is phenylmethyl; R_4 is unsubstituted C_{1-6} alkyl; NR_6R_8 is amino, monomethylamino or dimethylamino; and L is -O-C(=O)- or $-O-C_1$. 6alkanediyl-C(=O)-, whereby in each case the C(=O) group is attached to the NR_2 moiety;

the method comprising

(a) aminating a compound of formula (6)

wherein PG is a protecting group and E is C_{1-6} alkyl; to obtain compound of formula (7),

wherein NR₆R₈ is amino, monomethylamino or dimethylamino;

(b) deprotecting the compound of formula (7) to obtain compound of formula (8),

(c) and coupling a radical of formula R₁-L- to obtain the desired compound of formula (9),

or a trifluoroacetate, fumarate, chloroacetate or methanesulfonate salt thereof.